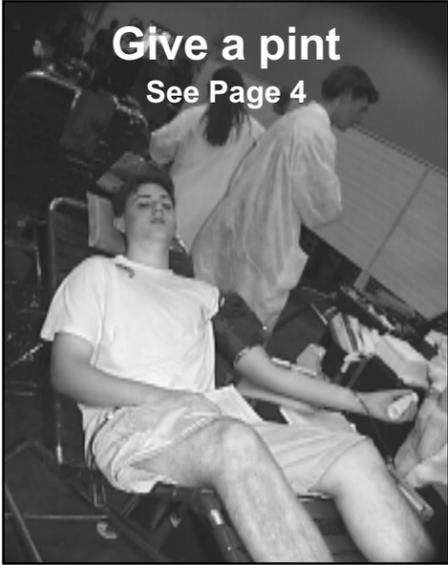
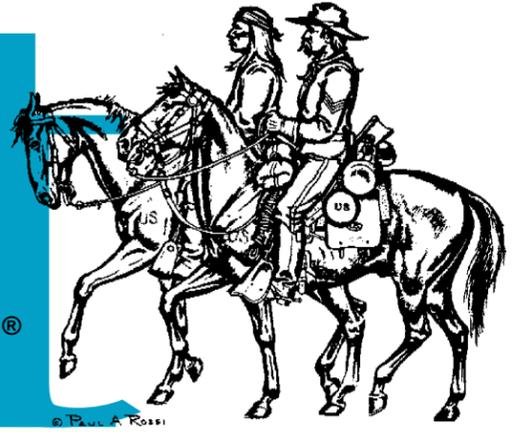


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Teachers needed at chapel

Fall children's programs start Sept. 10 at the Main Post Chapel. Catholic CCD and Protestant Sunday School and Children's Church programs need teachers, assistant teachers, substitutes and administrators for all ages — two years through high school.

Pioneer Clubs offer a scouting experience with a Christian emphasis for children grades 1-6. Seasonal programs will offer special opportunities and activities for Harvest Festival, Advent Christmas, Lent and Easter, Vacation Bible School and summer activities.

Youth groups for Catholic Protestant Middle School and High School bring opportunities for spiritual growth, fun and fellowship.

You can make a difference in a child's life by sharing your life and faith with them.

To volunteer, register your eligible children in programs or for information, call Doug Soleida, director of religious education, at 533-4598.

OSJA closed

The Office of the SJA will be closed for mandatory training 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Tuesday. Student/Instructor walk-in hours are cancelled.

Veterans' benefits briefing

The Army Career and Alumni Program Center staff will sponsor Veterans' Affairs Benefits Briefings at the ACAP Center, Building 22420, 8 a.m.-noon on Wednesday.

Representatives from the Phoenix VA Regional Office and the Tucson Veterans' Center will be present to provide information about all VA benefits. No reservations necessary.

For information, call Thom Hapgood at 533-7314.

Battalions to realign as a brigade

By Tanja M. Linton
Media Relations Officer

The 304th and 306th Military Intelligence Battalions will be realigned and redesignated as the 112th Military Intelligence Brigade (Provisional).

The 112th MI Brigade has a long history, and will be reactivated at Fort Huachuca in September of this year.

In preparation for this action post officials completed a Record of Environmental Consideration in May 1999, which authorizes reorganization in 1999 and 2000.

Personnel currently assigned to Fort Huachuca will staff the unit and buildings on post will house it. No additional personnel will be assigned to the 112th MI Brigade (Provisional).

The reorganization enhances mission capability. "We are taking this step to optimize and economize operations here at Fort Huachuca," said Col. Susan Browning, Chief of Staff for the U.S. Army Intelligence Center and Fort Huachuca.

The unit was constituted May 10, 1946 as the 112th Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment and was activated May

21, 1946 at Dallas, Texas.

The detachment was redesignated July 25, 1961 as the 112th Intelligence Corps Group and then again October 15, 1966 as the 112th Military Intelligence Group. The unit was inactivated June 30, 1974 at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

Redesignated July 1, 1987 as Headquarters, 112th Military Intelligence Brigade, the brigade was concurrently transferred to the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command and activated at Fort Devens, Mass. The 112th was inactivated January 1993 at Fort Devens, Mass.

Distinctive Unit Insignia Symbolism

Oriental blue and silver gray are the colors traditionally associated with military intelligence. The sunburst further alludes to intelligence and also suggests the former location of the unit, the great Southwest. The yellow sunburst symbolizes the worth of reliable intelligence. The five rays of the sunburst allude to the five former regions of the unit and the chevron, a symbol for support, with the five stars, represents the five states which comprised its former area of operations. The ancient dagger signifies the dangers and silent covert nature of intelligence service. The oak leaves are symbolic of the strong and enduring resolution of the members of the unit, and the motto portrays the goal of a successful intelligence organization.



Soldier involved in shooting

By Tanja M. Linton
Media Relations Officer

A soldier and a civilian were involved in a shooting incident in which another civilian was wounded early Sunday morning at 500 South Carmichael near Sterling Pointe Apartments.

The victim was treated and released from the Sierra Vista Regional Hospital.

The soldier is Staff Sgt. Cory Jackson of the Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center on Fort Huachuca.

Jackson left the scene but was apprehended later that morning. A search of his quarters found a .38 caliber pistol that matched the weapon believed to be used in the shooting.

Military police were notified of the incident at 2 a.m. Sunday. Jackson is currently in custody at the Cochise County Sheriff's department.

The post and Sierra Vista police are cooperating and an investigation is underway to determine the facts in this incident.

Rainwater harvesting explained

WWES release

The University of Arizona Cooperative Extension will be hosting a Rainwater Harvesting Presentation, 2-3 p.m. on Tuesday at the Sierra Vista Public Library, in the Mona Bishop Room.

Rainwater harvesting is the technique of intercepting rainwater and putting it to beneficial use on a given site.

The presenter is Ann Phillips, a teacher and consultant in sustainability techniques and design. Phillips has a master's degree in water resources administration from the U of A.

The presentation will cover such topics as erosion control, controlling water flows off of properties, integration into landscape design, and on-the-ground examples of rainwater harvesting at both the household and commercial levels.

Refreshments will be served and there is no charge for the presentation. For more information, call Cado Daily with the Water Wise Program at 458-8278, ext. 141.

Have we got news for you!

Check out *The Fort Huachuca Scout* newspaper on the web.

<http://huachuca-www.army.mil/PAO/1Scout.htm>

The Scout's Chaplain

Cancer not end of road, but new start

By Doug Soleida
Director of Religious Education

Nothing reminds you of your mortality quite like that moment when the doctor looks you straight in the eye and says, "You have cancer."

Ah, the C-word. You knew that your malady was only an infection, a harmless lump, an irritation. You expected a cursory examination, a scribbled prescription, a few pills to take along with that gobbled breakfast before you rushed off to work. You may even have had surgery, hoping and praying that the surgeon's hand would remove any last traces of malignancy.

Instead, your battle is just beginning. You'll need to go through the staging process, your doctor might explain, where tests will give a clearer picture of how far the disease has progressed and what treatment options are open.

Some of those tests will be as simple as stepping up to the X-ray machine. Others will not. Some will be relatively pain-

less. A few you will just try to forget. On an emotional front, the dawning realization of what is living and growing inside of you causes time itself to move, seemingly, at a different pace. You resent the intrusion of the malignancy into your plans, your family and your life.

You are constantly aware of its presence, and you hate the thought of carrying it around with you, ticking away like the time bomb that it is. You're just not sure when it will go off.

Cognitively, you will find that maintaining your perspective will capture about 90 percent of your efforts in your very personal battle. And unlike the medical treatments, which will come to be endured for a moment, the battle for perspective will be your constant companion for as long as you have cancer.

While you are coming to grips with the changes going on inside of you, others will

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Testing offers instant feedback

Education Center release

Fort Huachuca's Army Education Center was recently selected as one of a handful of DOD education centers to conduct a pilot testing program for the Strong Interest Inventory and the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator. What can these tests do for you?

Strong Interest Inventory

This testing instrument takes 30-40 minutes to complete and measures your interests, not your abilities.

You receive a detailed Interpretive Report that helps identify patterns of interest that you can explore for career and educational planning. These patterns are based on six "themes" of work — Realistic, Investigative, Artistic, Social, Enterprising, and Conventional.

The report discusses your General Occupational Theme; your basic interest scales; your work style, learning environment, leadership, and risk taking scale; and a reading resource list.

Myers-Briggs Type Indicator

This testing instrument takes 20-30 minutes to complete and measures preferences based on 16 personality types.

You receive a Career Report that gives a summary of your results (which are an indication of what you prefer to do, even if your current work environment may require you to do something else).

The effects of each preference scale on career choice; the 50 most popular and 25 least popular occupations for your personality type; help with interpreting your occupational lists; and a reading resource list.

The pilot program is currently open to all active duty military. If you're interested in taking one or both of these tests, call Joan Kraak, Army Education Center, at 533-2255 or 533-3010.

Selective Service releases first-ever state-by-state compliance report card

SSS release

WASHINGTON — The Selective Service System recently released its first-ever state-by-state analysis of registration compliance data, and announced a series of partnership efforts with the U.S. Department of Education and key education organizations to bolster on-time registration.

On average, the rankings show that nearly one out of five young men in the United States turning age 20 this year will fail to register, putting themselves at risk of losing out on important federal opportunities linked to registration.

New Hampshire ranked highest among the states with 95 percent of eligible men registered by the time they turn 20, while Hawaii was the lowest with 73 percent of young men born in 1980 registering before or during 1999.

Federal law required that virtually all young men living in the U.S. register with Selective Service within 30 days of their 18th birthday. Late registrations are accepted through age 25, and many men register late.

The names are gathered by the civilian-controlled agency in the event of a national crisis that would require a military draft. A prime concern of the agency is ensuring that any such call-up would be "fair and equitable."

Over the past three decades, many reforms have been instituted to ensure fairness, and nationwide some 11,000 volunteers in virtually every community in American have been trained in the procedures necessary to conduct a fair process. In addition, "equity" requires the highest compliance rate possible.

To reinforce the requirement, Congress has made Selective Service registration a requirement for obtaining a number of federal benefits, including student loans, job training, government jobs and citizenship for male immigrants. Under federal law, young men who do not register by the time they are 26 may never receive these benefits.

Additionally, although rarely prosecuted, failure to register is a felony punishable by up to five years in prison and a fine of up to \$250,000. Many states and localities also link additional opportunities, such as student financial aid and state or municipal employment, to Selective Service registration.

"The American people, through their elected representatives, have made it clear that they believe Selective Service plays a vital role in ensuring that our country is prepared for a national emergency," said Selective Service Director Gil Coronado. "Therefore, many benefits, benefits that are important to every man's future, have been linked to Selective Service registration.



Information graphic courtesy of SSS

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Force protection exercise puts post plan in review

By Sgt. Cullen James
Scout Staff

Fulfilling a Department of the Army requirement, military police and medical teams reacted to a hostage situation Friday.

The scenario was part of a Force Protection exercise that DA mandates posts to perform annually. Additionally, the exercise allowed Fort Huachuca Medical Activity Command personnel to fulfill their biannual requirement of performing mass casualty exercises.

The exercise involved one hostage-taker, a getaway driver, two hostages and six victims at the Signal Medical Clinic. The "aggressor" in the activity was upset his brother died being treated by military medics. He entered the Signal Clinic around 2 p.m. Friday and told them he placed a bomb on the premises, and intended to kill everyone.

The hostage-taker shot one person who tried to stop him, pistol-whipped another, and some of the "patients" in the clinic were effected by the scene. The shooter took two hostages and left the clinic. The wounded at the clinic provided MEDDAC with their triage requirement.

An actual resident of the Bonnie Blink housing area was enlisted to phone the MPs reporting seeing the shooter and hostages entering 113 Mott Circle. The Fort Huachuca Special Reaction Team was dispatched. They assessed the situation and negotiations began.

After hours of unsuccessful negotiations, the scenario came to an end with the SRT entering the building and taking out the shooter. SRT used actual "pyro" — "flash bang"

devices used to stun — after taking a break in the scenario to ensure both hostages and hostage-taker had put in earplugs.

The home incurred real damage from the "flash bangs," but it is already unoccupied. The home is located in the Bonnie Blink area, and homes there are scheduled to be torn down for renovations.



Fort Huachuca's Special Reaction Team attempts to enter the building.

"The MPs and SRT were up to their usual par, doing their usual good things," said Bill Ivory, chief, Fort Huachuca Security Division and exercise planner. "The reaction by the SRT was well planned by their [noncommissioned officer in charge] and well executed by the team.

"We did find shortcomings," Ivory explained, "but actions have been taken to correct them."

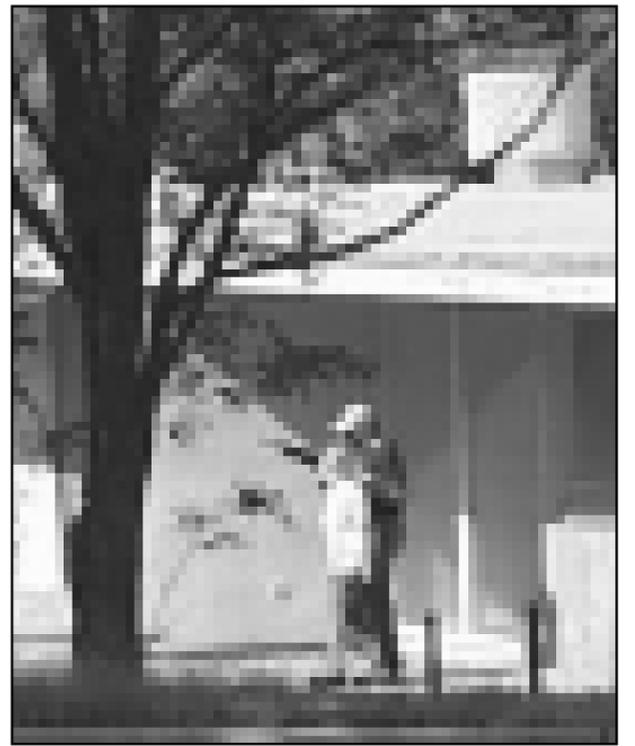
"Had this been an actual situation, we feel sure it would have gone down as it did in the scenario," Ivory added.

Participants, "actors," for the exercise included members of the Cochise County Sheriff's Department and local contract employees.

There were other law enforcement agencies on hand to observe the action.

"We get great support from the Cochise County Sheriff's Department as well as the Sierra Vista Police Department. These guys will support us at the drop of a hat," Ivory said. "They're great, and they help give a lot of good advice."

Although the situation was an exercise, only the planners and key personnel knew when and where it was going to happen. "We tried to keep it as real as possible. But we did have an observer at both the dispatch and MP desk. When



Photos by Maj. Daniel T. Williams

The "hostage-taker" attempts to evade Military Police in the Bonnie Blink housing area

they sent out the dispatch, they had to send out that this was an exercise and repeat it three times," Ivory said.

"That way, the officers knew to unload their weapons. Safety is a huge concern in these exercises," Ivory added.

The Force Protection exercises are conducted annually and Fort Huachuca has been doing them since 1986, according to Ivory. "I plan them," he said. "I have a fertile imagination."

Post's part-day preschool program has openings in all sessions

CDC release

Is your child bored? Does he or she need to experience a new environment? Come and let your child explore our world at New Beginnings Child Development Center on Fort Huachuca. Part Day Preschool has openings in all sessions.

Teachers Christine Cunningham and Sharon Zornes have planned a challenging pre-kindergarten program for eligible 3 and 4-year-old children. Curriculum themes range from "Families" to "Space Travel."

Recently parents and teachers joined together to plan a Hawaiian Luau for the children. During Camping Week, the Dramatic Play area was transformed into a campsite where children learned how to

be safe and happy campers.

In the first month of the school year the teachers will observe the children and complete developmental skills checklists for each child. Individual and group activities are then planned accordingly to help the children develop a variety of cognitive, social-emotional and physical skills.

The children will develop a positive identity and sense of emotional well being, develop social skills, think, reason, question, and experiment. The teachers encourage language and literacy development and provide activities that enhance physical and skill development.

During snack time and cooking experiences, the children will learn about sound health, safety and nutritional practices. In

circle time and during individual activities, the teachers encourage creative expression and appreciation for the arts.

The children will make friends and learn to respect the cultural diversity of their classmates and the Fort Huachuca community. The classroom environment is designed to stimulate and challenge the children. Parents are an integral part of the program. They help plan activities, read to the children and chaperon on field trips.

The three-hour sessions available include the five-day program Monday through Friday or the three-day program on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Or you can sign up for the two-day Tuesday and Thursday program. The morning session

meets from 8 to 11 a.m. and the afternoon session is from noon to 3 p.m. Classes start Aug. 21 and 22.

The sliding fee scale is based on total family income and program selection. For more information, call 533-5209 or stop by for a tour of the program. New Beginnings Child Development Center, a First Choice MWR program, is located in Building 48101 on Smith Street just north of Smith Middle School and the Youth Services building.

Persons who are active-duty military, Department of Defense civilians and military contractors are eligible to use this facility. Registration appointments may be made by contacting the Supplemental Programs and Services staff at 533-0738.

Borders shows its appreciation for military

Borders release

All military personnel and their families are invited to Borders bookstore at Park Place Mall, 5870 E. Broadway, Tucson, for a day full of fun and discounts.

Bring your military identification and save 20 percent on most anything you want to buy. CD's, books, coffee, food...it's all at a discount price for our men and women in the armed services.

Included during this special day are several presentations and musical performances like Ted Ramirez from 4 to 6 p.m. and the rocking tunes of Ricky P and the Blue Monsoon from 8 to 10 p.m., presentations on the Titan II missile as well as other stuff.

There will be free food, costume character Felix story time for the kids, prizes, giveaways, raffles; and one lucky military person will win a \$200 shopping spree.

For information, call Martin Perez at (520) 584-0111.

Best sellers available in Main Post Library

Fiction

The Bluest Eye
Before I Say Good-Bye
Heartbreaker
The Brethren
Easy Prey

The Greatest Generation
Flags of Our Fathers
The Greatest Generation Speaks
In a Sunburned Country
The Art of Happiness

Nonfiction

In the Heart of the Sea
Tuesdays with Morrie
Me Talk Pretty One Day

Children's books

Harry Potter & The Chamber of Secrets
Harry Potter & The Sorcerer's Stone
Harry Potter & The Prisoner of Azkaban
The Legend of Luke

137 pints collected

MI commander supports blood drives

By Stan Williamson
Scout Staff

Last week's Red Cross Blood drive at the Eifler Fitness Center resulted in 137 pints of blood collected and 27 first-time donors, according to Sally Stouffer, the Red Cross charge nurse.

As an 18-year-old cadet at the U.S. Army Military Academy at West Point, Col. William A. Carrington, commander, 111th Military Intelligence Brigade, donated his first pint of blood in 1973.

"I was following my father's example," he said. "The nation needs the blood and it [donating] is easy to do." Carrington said the cadets at West Point had incentives to give of themselves, such as a reduction in inspection standards.

The colonel doesn't know how many pints he has donated over the years, "but I have tried to give every two months since returning to Fort Huachuca last year," he said.

Being a blood donor is a family tradition for the Carrington's. The brigade commander said his father was a donor, his wife, Paula is a donor and for the past six months she has been a Red Cross volunteer. "My son, Paul, is 17 and today he too will begin donating as well."

Now, as the commander of the 111th MI Bde., Carrington wants to encourage his soldiers to become blood donors as well. In his own words, Carrington explained why he feels it is important for soldiers today to support the American Red Cross and its blood drives.

"It is part of our service to the country. Our country is short of blood so we need to give," he said. As an officer and a commander he believes that officers need to

lead by example. "I would like to see 200 pints a month donated by the soldiers of the 111th MI Brigade."

Stouffer and her 19 staffers set up 12 collection stations inside the Eifler Fitness Center Friday.

"We are hopeful for as many donors as possible," she said. This year hospitals across Arizona and the nation, are in critical need of all blood types to treat patients injured in accidents or undergoing a surgical procedure.



Spc. Lisa O'Connor, 209th MI Co., 3rd Bde. from Fort Lewis, Wash., took time from the IBCT exercise to donate her fifth pint of blood.

Capt. Jason Fischl, commander, Headquarters, Headquarters Company, 111th MI Bde. donated his 36th pint of blood since starting to donate in 1988. "I have 28 out of 77 soldiers in my company who are currently eligible to donate, and many of them will be here today."

Most of the soldiers who are not eligible to donate are those currently taking the anthrax vaccine, or who have returned from an assignment in the Far East within the last six months.

There were a lot of first and second time donors giving their blood Friday as well. Pfc. Angel Saldarriaga with HHC, 111th MI Bde, is from Columbia, South America. He was giving his second donation of the life saving fluid on Friday. Saldarriaga became a donor in March, 2000.

Spc. Lisa O'Connor, 209th MI Company, 3rd MI Bde., from Fort Lewis, Wash., made her fifth blood donation since starting in her Basic Combat Training unit at Fort Jackson, S.C. The Emmett, Idaho native is here to participate in the Initial Brigade Combat Team exercise taking place this week.



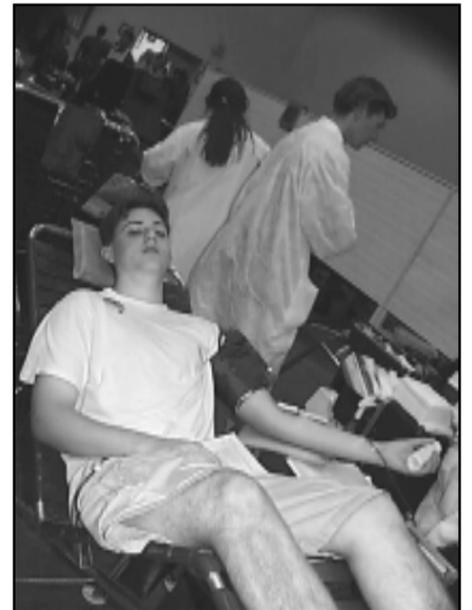
Photos by Stan Williamson

Pfc Angel Saldarriaga, HHC, 111th MI Bde., makes his second blood donation within the last four months. Checking Saldarriaga's blood pressure is LPN Christella Melgice.

Civilian employees are also blood donors. Jennifer Bradley, a supervisor with AAFES' Anthony's 2 at the Regimental Troop Store made her fifth donation.

Future blood drives are scheduled for Aug. 18 at the Murr Community Center, Aug. 25 at Eifler Fitness Center, Sept. 8 at USAISEC, Sept. 15 at Murr, Sept. 25 at the Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center, and Sept 27 at the Joint Interoperability Test Command, Oct. 20 at Murr, Nov. 6 at Eifler, Nov. 17 at Murr, Dec. 6 at JITC, Dec. 11 at RAWAHC, and Dec. 15 at Murr.

(At right) Paul Carrington, 17, son of Col. William A. Carrington, commander, 111th Military Intelligence Brigade, donates his first pint of blood.



Kudos Korner

Distinguished Soldier, NCO

Spc. Susanne Gilbert, Co. B, 304th MI Bn. is Fort Huachuca's Soldier of the Month for July. Gilbert, a native of Fort Collins, Colo., works in the IEW Shop 2 as a TRQ-32 Operator, system operation, language maintainer. Gilbert says her future plans include a promotion to sergeant and completing college with a teaching degree in history.

Sgt. Jose Miranda, Co. A, 86th Sig. Bn., 11th Sig. Bde., is the fort's Noncommissioned Officer of the Month for July. Miranda is from Queb, Puerto Rico, and has been in the Army for four years. Miranda, a wire and cable installer, works as the company train-

ing NCO. He says his future plans include becoming a U.S. Army recruiter.

Shopping Spree winners

Congratulations to retired Sgt. 1st Class Karen Chapman of Sierra Vista, and Patricia G. Reea. Both are local winners of the Army Times Publishing Company's \$100 Shopping Spree Contest, held on June 30 and July 1. Chapman said she has never won anything in her life before.

"It was a real surprise to me," she said. Chapman plans to go on her shopping spree at the Fort's Commissary this week.

Efforts to contact Reea were unsuccessful.

Blood Hound Awards

Kudos to the soldiers, officers and civilians of Fort Huachuca who participated in one of the several blood drives by the American Red Cross on post in July.

The Fort's Blood Hound Award for large units went to the Intelligence and Security Command for donating 61 pints of blood.

The medium size unit award was presented to Company E, 309th Military Intelligence Battalion for 60 pints of blood donated.

The small unit award was given to Headquarters, Headquarters Company, 111th MI Brigade for donating 44 pints.



Com. B, 305th MI Bn. photo

Soldiers and civilians from Company B, 305th Military Intelligence Battalion cleaned up Highway 92.

Soldiers skip sleeping in for civil service

Capt. Mike McNealy
Co. B Cmdr., 305th MI Bn.

On July 29, a volunteer group of soldiers, cadre and civilian instructors from Company B, 305th Military Intelligence Battalion, participated in the company's Adopt a Highway program.

Rather than sleep in on Saturday morning, these soldiers spent their morning picking up trash and other debris on the company's own stretch of Highway 92.

Under the direction of civilian instructor Leonard Nezuch, Company B adopted the one-mile stretch of road in 1998 as part of an effort to give back to the Sierra Vista community that supports the Fort Huachuca soldiers and families.

The company's piece of the highway starts at the newly

constructed Texaco gas station on Highway 92 and heads out toward the flea market area. With the right number of volunteers strategically placed along the road, it only takes a quick two hours to clean up the mile on both sides.

In the past, soldiers have picked up a variety of litter, to include fast food cartons, cups and discarded paper. But the number one piece of litter the soldiers consistently find is the cigarette butt. No other item of trash is found more abundantly or frequently on the highway. Each volunteer easily picks up fifty cigarette butts during each outing.

This past weekend, the thirty-seven soldiers, cadre and civilians filled up thirty-five bags of trash, which the Arizona Department of Transportation then collected later in the week.

TRICARE introduces mail-order pharmacy

TRICARE release

Tired of standing in line at the pharmacy? The Department of Defense's National Mail Order Pharmacy, administered by Merck-Medco, offers a time-and-money-saving alternative to retail pharmacies.

The NMOP offers the following to TRICARE beneficiaries without other health insurance:

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As an easy and cost-effective way to fill prescriptions, the NMOP gives new meaning to the words "special delivery."

For more information or questions about TRICARE call, toll-free, 1-888-TRIWEST (874-9378) or visit our web site at www.triwest.com.



Chapel photo

Chap. (Brig. Gen.) David Hicks, deputy chief of chaplains addressed the audience at the MI Village Chapel Annex dedication July 26.

225th Anniversary MI Village Chapel Annex dedicated

By Chap. (Maj.) Mike Thomas
Resource Manager, Post Chapel

The Unit Ministry Team celebrated the 225th Anniversary of the Chaplain Corps on July 26 by hosting the dedication of the newest religious building, the MI Village Chapel Annex.

"The spiritual fitness of today's warrior is no less important that it was 225 years ago when the continental congress created the U.S. Army Chaplain Corps," said Maj. Gen. John D. Thomas Jr., com-

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225th Anniversary Chaplain lays down life for friends during Korean Conflict

Chapel release

One of the first heavy battles in the Korean Conflict occurred July 16-20, 1950 near Taejon and the Kum River. The 24th Infantry Division under the command of Maj. Gen. Dean attempted to slow the advancing North Korean Army. Chaplain Herman G. Felhoelter, Roman Catholic priest, was one of the chaplains serving with the 24th.

Felhoelter had served in the Army from 1944 to 1946. He had returned in 1948. Four days prior to the start of the battle, he had written his mother, saying, "Don't worry, mother. God's will be done. I feel so good to know the power of your prayers accompanying me. I am not comfortable in Korea (that is impossible here) but I am happy in the thought that I can help some souls who need help. Keep your prayers going upward..."

On July 16, Felhoelter was among a group of about 100 men that were moving up a hill north of Taejon. They had been overpowered by an enemy force and were trying to escape. Also, they were carrying almost 30 wounded.

When the group reached the top of the hill, they all realized that they could not

escape the advancing North Koreans if they continued to carry the wounded. Felhoelter convinced the medical officer to leave with the others while he remained with the wounded. The medical officer agreed. The group continued on minus the wounded and the chaplain.

After the group had walked for several minutes, a sergeant turned to look through binoculars to see how the wounded were doing. To his horror and disbelief, he watched enemy soldiers rush through the wounded, suffering men, murdering them all, including Felhoelter, who was praying over them.

Only 11 days after the start of the Conflict in Korea the first Army chaplain lay dead on a field of battle. Felhoelter would have been 37 years old on the following day. For his actions, he was posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross.

Jesus said, "Greater love has no one than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." What is the quality of your love? Do you lay down your time, your energy, your skills, your attention, your resources, and your money, to "help some souls who need help?"

Community Updates

Get school physicals now

School and sports physicals now available in the pediatric clinics at Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center. Individual appointments can be made by calling 533-9200. The Health Center expects a large number of requests so be advised to schedule immediately to be ready for the start of the school year.

OCSC board forming

The Officers' and Civilians' Spouses' Club governing board for the 2000-2001 year is now forming. There are several committee positions still available. The OCSC is an organization that raises money through various fundraisers so we are able to support the Fort Huachuca and Sierra Vista communities.

For information about the board positions, call Garlan Martens at 452-0989.

Food handler's class

Preventive Medicine Wellness and Readiness Services offers a food handler's class upon request. There must be at least ten people enrolled for the class to be presented.

This class is mandatory for all soldiers or civilians on post who plan to have a unit activity or organizational day, large company cookouts, or vendors that want to open a booth for a special occasion such as an Air Show or carnival. This does not include barbecues in your own backyard or small family cookouts.

For information, call PMWARS NCOIC Cpl. Jermaine Crayton at 533-9013 or 533-3536, Spc. Juan Oliveras or Pfc. Nichole McCrickard at 533-7031.

Kids cookbook available

In January 2000 the Child and Youth Services, Informal Fund Council, Parents Who Care, began collecting recipes for the "Kids in the Kitchen" cookbook. Six months later the cookbooks arrived with over 300 recipes from children, parents, CYS staff and Family Child Care providers. Selling for only \$7.25 this cookbook is available at all Child and Youth Service locations.

For more information, call 533-5209. Proceeds from the cookbook sales will support Child and Youth Services programs.

Pregnancy PT instructor

Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center is seeking a part-time aerobics instructor to teach pregnant and post-partum participants.

Instructor will need to bring their own music to teach Monday, Wednesday and Friday 5:55-7 a.m. (Monday and Wednesday is land aerobics and Friday is water aerobics.) Lifeguard and registered nurse are present through all instruction.

For information, call Pat Marshall, R.N. at 533-9995.

Library conducts survey

Through Saturday, the Sierra Vista Public Library will be conducting a community-wide survey in an effort to develop a long-range plan for library development in Sierra Vista.

Volunteers will be conducting the survey at the library and throughout the community, asking members of the public brief questions about their opinions on library services. This public input survey will be taken into consideration as staff continues to develop their plans for future library services.

For information, call the Sierra Vista Public Library at 458-4225.

Green to Gold briefing

Interested in becoming an officer? Attend the next "Green to Gold" briefing Friday, 11 a.m.-noon at the Post Education Center, Building 52104.

Military softball tourney set

The 12th Annual "Weekend Bash" military regional softball tournament will be held Saturday and Sunday in Tucson. The top four teams will receive prizes. Each player on the Championship team will walk off with their choice of a new glove or bat from the top manufacturers in softball today.

For information, or to sign up, call Greg Manning at (520) 228-4190 (DSN 228-4190). A reduced tournament fee is offered for early entry.

Medical Evaluation Board

Soldiers undergoing Medical Evaluation Boards are required to attend an initial briefing prior to proceeding through the Physical Evaluation Board process.

Initial briefings are held 9-11 a.m. every Tuesday beginning Aug. 8 at Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center. All initial briefings are scheduled through and by the RWBAHC Physical Evaluation Board Liaison Office. For information, call 533-1203.

Federal jobs workshop

The Fort Huachuca Army Career and Alumni Program is offering a monthly Federal Jobs Workshop on Aug. 11, Sept. 8, Oct. 13, Nov. 17 and Dec. 15.

The workshop covers how to find out about federal job vacancies, how to apply, what forms to use, how selections are made, federal pay scales, veterans preference, and the types of civil service appointments. The Resumix scannable resume used to apply for jobs at Fort Huachuca will be explained in detail.

Workshops are held in the ACAP Center, Building 22420 (next to the Military Clothing Sales) in the Old Post area. No reservation is necessary. The public is invited to attend.

For more information, call Thom Hapgood at 533-7314.



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Improv at the Rep

Bisbee Repertory Theatre and its Teen Conservatory 2000 present "Not Yet Rated," two nights of improvisation on Aug. 11 and 12 at 7:30 p.m.

The theater building at 94 Main Street will rock with comedy and drama, created on the spot by BRT's teen actors. Audience members will get a chance to participate in the action.

Tickets are only \$5 for all ages. They are available at Atalanta's Music & Books in Old Bisbee, Ace Hardware in Warren and at the door. For information, call 432-3786.

Box Office hours change

Beginning Aug. 14, the Morale, Welfare and Recreation Box Office will be open Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

ASMC luncheon

The American Society of Military Comptrollers will hold its monthly business luncheon Aug. 15 at 11:30 a.m. at La Hacienda Community Club. Featured speaker will be Lt. Col. Michael Yarmie, battalion commander, 11th Signal Brigade. His slide-show presentation will be on his experiences in East Timor.

The lunch menu will be an Italian buffet and salad bar. Cost is \$8 for ASMC members and \$9 for non-members. To make reservations and purchase tickets, ASMC members and guests should contact organizational representatives or buy them at the door.

Members of the public are welcome to

attend. For information, call Linda Guinter and 456-2961.

Mandatory ethics training

All Department of Defense personnel required to file a Financial Disclosure Report are required to attend ethics training annually. All new employees are required to receive this training within 30 days of entering on duty. Training sessions will be held from 10-11 a.m. in Room 1215, Greely Hall, on Aug. 15 and Sept. 21.

Financial Disclosure Report filers are required to attend only one training session per calendar year. For information, call Tom King at 533-3197.

Transportation to Irwin Pool

The Sierra Vista Department of Parks and Leisure began Wednesday providing free transportation from the Oscar Yrun Community Center and Veterans' Memorial Park to Irwin Pool, Tuesday through Friday, 1-5 p.m. until Aug. 16. For information, call 458-7922.

OCSC membership drive

The Fort Huachuca Officers' and Civilians' Spouses' Club would like to invite any person eligible for membership to come and join us for our annual membership drive/welcome coffee Aug. 16, 10 a.m.-noon at the LakeSide Activity Centre.

There will be many special interest tables for newcomers as well as sign-ups for several of the special activities such as,

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horseback riding, trips and tours, hiking and crafting, that the OCSC will be sponsoring throughout the year.

This is a great opportunity for people to join the OCSC, make new friends and become involved in the community. For information, call 452-0989.

Celebrate women's equality

Celebrate Women's Equality Day by saving a life and registering to vote. Fort Huachuca will celebrate Women's Equality Day on Aug. 18 to combine the commemoration of the 19th Amendment with the blood drive scheduled at Murr Community Center, 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Everyone is encouraged to mark women's contributions to this country by giving blood and contributing to the welfare of the community.

The Post EO Office will have an educational display set up and show a short video commemorating the historic journey of the women's rights movement.

In addition, there will be a voter reg-

istration booth set up in the area so that women (and men) can register to exercise that hard won right. Each blood donor will also receive a "Women's Equality Day" souvenir.

Everyone is invited to attend. Help save lives while commemorating the culmination of the women's rights movement.

For information, call the Military EO Office at 533-1717 or 533-5305.

Blue Cross benefits brief

All federal employees who are Blue Cross Blue Shield Service Benefit Plan Subscribers are invited to a benefits brief Aug. 21, 1-3 p.m. at Murr Community Center, Roadrunner Room.

A representative from Blue Cross/Blue Shield will visit Fort Huachuca to explain how to get the most out of your insurance coverage and answer your questions on benefits, claims or enrollment.

For questions, call Michele Darby at 533-5273.

ACAP closed for upgrades

The Army Career and Alumni Program Center will be closed Aug. 25-Sept. 5. ACAP staff members will be training with the new ACAP XXI software and technicians will be at the Center installing the new software and hardware.

ACAP XXI is the new interactive multimedia computer based training system that will be available to transitioning soldiers and their family members beginning Sept. 11. The new ACAP XXI will enable clients to work at their own pace and design their own individual career path.

There will be a member of the ACAP Center staff on site during the shutdown time for post clearances and emergency unscheduled pre-separation briefings. But scheduled pre-separation briefings, three-day workshops and other ACAP activities won't be held during this time.

For information, call Thom Hapgood at 533-7314, or Angela Baker at 533-5766.

Fashion show set

The Sierra Vista First Church of God in Christ is hosting a Fashion Extravaganza at 7 p.m. Aug. 26 at the Windemere Hotel. The show will feature fashions from local stores. Cost is \$12 per person and includes, hors d'oeuvres, live entertainment and door prizes. Tickets may be purchased at the door or contact Ramona McCaa at 458-8555.

BRT announces 6th season

Bisbee Repertory Theatre will be holding auditions for "Last of the Red Hot Lovers" by Neil Simon on Aug. 26 and 27 at the theater, time to be announced. The comedy has a cast of four — one man in a midlife crisis and three women of different ages. "Last of the Red Hot Lovers" will open BRT's sixth season on Oct. 6. Season tickets are \$56 for seven entries to any of the main season or summer productions. Tickets are available from BRT at P.O. Box 504, Bisbee, AZ 85603. For information, call 432-3786.

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be coming to grips with you. Family, friends and fellow workers, as they deal with your cancer through their own emotional and cognitive framework, will respond to you differently.

Their reactions may range from sympathy to denial, from wanting to support you in every way to avoidance of you at almost any cost. And you will learn to deal with these changes in those who are a part of your life.

Cancer still carries with it much of the "death sentence" connotations that it has borne for years — the "cancer victim" mentality. That is unfortunate, for you will quickly learn to assume less of the victim's posture and more that of a fighter. While some of those around you may have inadvertently "written you off," you have a vested interest in living.

You may find yourself regarding each new day as a gift, living your life with an intensity you did not realize was possible before the knowledge of your cancer sharpened your perceptions. You may discover

the finer details of life that were once obscured by the predictability of the routine.

The late C.S. Lewis, British author and theologian, wrote in "Out of the Silent Planet" (the first volume of his science fiction trilogy), "You are guilty of no evil...except a little fearfulness. For that, the journey you go on is your pain, and perhaps your cure: for you must be either mad or brave before it is ended."

So it is with cancer. It is a journey fearful in itself, yet rich with the promise of what lies beyond. You can never return from this trip the same as before you left.

This September, by the grace of God, I will have reached that magic milestone of 10 years that my cancer has been in remission. The doctors are quick to remind me that remission is a good sign, but not a guarantee. I am reminded that each new day is a gift.

For those who will yet undertake my journey, I wish you courage. Cancer is not the end of the road. It is only a new beginning.

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manding general, U.S. Army Intelligence Center and Fort Huachuca.

Thomas and Chap. (Brig Gen.) David Hicks, deputy chief of chaplains, cut the ribbon and unveiled the plaque at the dedication ceremony.

Hicks expressed his thanks to the Fort Huachuca command for building the Chapel Annex in the brigade area.

"We often lose sight of the fact that all our soldiers, including the single soldier with no family near, are our credentials and they need what we can offer in religious worship, leadership, education and fellowship," Hicks said.

Reflecting back from his days as an

infantry noncommissioned officer, Hicks said, "One thing I now know as a I look back, we as a Chaplains Corps offer what soldiers need most, and that is, an opportunity to experience and develop their faith."

The 2400-plus square-foot facility will house the 305th and 309th Military Intelligence Battalions' Unit Ministry Teams. It will also be the location for the MI Village 9:30 a.m. Protestant worship service and the 11 a.m. Lutheran service. Previously those worship services met in the Yardley Dining Facility. The new facility is located at the corner of Bisel and Stein across the street from Eifler Gym.

Have we got news for you!
Check out *The Fort Huachuca Scout* newspaper on the web.
<http://huachuca-www.army.mil/PAO/1Scout.htm>

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"Our goal as an agency is to both ensure that we have registered every eligible man, and to ensure that we have done all we can to inform young men of the opportunities they are forgoing if they fail to register."

Coronado said that it is in this spirit the agency is reaching out to the U.S. education community to help raise awareness of the registration requirement and to support the agency's new initiative, Selective Service Week, a series of school and community-based awareness activities to be launched in the fall.

"Our research has consistently shown that the biggest barrier to young men's compliance is a simple lack of awareness," Coronado said. "It is tragic to see young men potentially mission out on

future opportunities because they just do not know that they are required to register. But even more tragic is that our experience shows the young men most likely to miss the message are those from poor and underrepresented populations, the very men who stand the most to gain from these opportunities."

The agency is forbidden by federal law to purchase advertising, and so relies on a number of strategies to build awareness, including public service announcements, direct mail and direct outreach.

"On the whole, we're very proud of our record considering the enormous challenge we face of reaching the more than 5,000 young men in this country who turn 18 every day," Coronado said. "However, we are fully committed to doing more."

In announcing his agency's support for the outreach effort, U.S. Secretary of Education Richard W. Riley said, "Throughout the history of our nation, our schoolhouses have been more than just places where children learn their 'Three Rs.' They are places where young people learn both their rights and their responsibilities as citizens of a free society."

In addition to Riley, expressing support for school-based outreach efforts were Mickey Ibarra, White House assistant to the President and director of inter-governmental affairs, and education associations and organizations, including representatives from the American School Counselor Association, the Center for Civic Education, the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admis-

sion Officers, the National Association of Secondary School Principals, and the National Association of State Boards of Education.

"The partners that we have gathered here today represent the beginning of what we intend to be a growing outreach effort over the next several years," Coronado said, "and the numbers we have release will serve as a baseline to measure our effectiveness."

"With the support of these partners, with our plans to increase our outreach into other communities, and with continuing efforts on the state, local and national levels, we will ensure that all young men are aware of their responsibilities and benefit from all of the opportunities due them."

History of Fort Huachuca is history of cemetery

By Kelly Figula
Scout Intern

The stories of disease, scandal and triumph surround the tombstones of civilians and soldiers who were laid to rest in the Fort Huachuca Cemetery.

The history of Fort Huachuca is the history of the cemetery.

Capt. Samuel M. Whitside and his troops established Camp Huachuca in March 1877.

Conditions were tough for the men and women at the foot of the Huachuca Mountains.

Whitside with his wife Carrie and the troops with their families built adobe homes, which were quickly destroyed in brutal monsoon storms.

The men and women braved the weather, and became a close-knit group that sang old cavalry songs while grilling deer or bear over an open fire.

The Post Cemetery, one of the first installations at the camp, was established later that year.

In December Pvt. Thomas P. Kelly, the first soldier buried at Fort Huachuca, was laid to rest in the original post cemetery on the corner of Grierson and Mizner Avenues. This original cemetery, which held 16 bodies, was the first site visitors saw when entering post.

One of those bodies was the Whitside's son Dallas. He was born in April 1879 on post, and was buried here twenty months later. Only three of the Whitside's seven children, all of whom were born in the west, survived to adulthood.

The cemetery moved in May 1883 to its current location at the end of Burt Road.

In May 1877, 2nd Lt. Robert Hanna and his company of Indian scouts joined Whitside at Camp Huachuca.

Indian scouts read the land, helping American soldiers find food and water in the apparently barren desert landscape. Since scouts lived lifestyles similar to the soldiers', they were easily trained to be the eyes of the Army.

Soldiers, sometimes unable to pronounce Indian names, nicknamed the scouts, and honored them with burial. Shorten Bread, who was shot during a hunting trip in 1913, and his son Shorten Bread, Jr., are buried side-by-side at the post cemetery.

Go-Du-es-say, who died in July 1892, was the wife of an Indian Scout. Company A Scouts Buster and Cpl. John are also buried on post.

The troops and families at Huachuca were not the only people in the west.

During the frontier days more than 20 bodies found in the desert were brought to the nearest Army post, Fort Huachuca.

A mass grave of 76 unknowns from the former Fort San Carlos, now the location of the Coolidge Dam, was brought to Fort Huachuca in 1928. The Apache Indians, notorious for raiding camped troops in the west, were suspected of being the killers.

After the camp became a fort in 1882, buildings of wood, plaster and adobe were built. The officers' quarters, which are still standing today, were completed the following year.

These new structures were not barriers to all the hardships of life in the west. Many children, weakened by diseases for which there were no cures, died at Fort



Photo by Kelly Figula

A wreath was placed at the gravesites of the chaplains buried in Fort Huachuca's Cemetery in commemoration of the 225th Anniversary of the Chaplaincy.

Huachuca.

Elsie Patch and Annie Lawton, who died as infants, are buried in the gate enclosures at the cemetery's main entrance. Patch's twin brother became Maj. Gen. Joseph D. Patch, Commanding Officer of the 80th Infantry Division during World War II. Lawton was the daughter of Gen. Henry W. Lawton, who led cavalry troops in pursuit of Geronimo in 1886. Both girls died in 1887.

Diseases took the lives of soldiers as well. Pvt. William Cassel died in October 1883 from yellow fever, and was buried 1.5 miles from post. Thirty years later he was disinterred and honored with a burial at the post cemetery.

Many Fort Huachuca heroes are honored in the post cemetery. Maj. Julius W. Mason died in December 1882 while serving at Fort Huachuca as post commander. Mason fought in the Virginia Civil War battles of Beverly Ford and Brandy Station. Sgt. Walter Malby joined Lawton and the 4th Cavalry in pursuit of Geronimo in 1886. After Malby's death in August 1896, he was buried next to his wife, son and daughter in the post cemetery. Master Sgt. John P. Campbell served with all four of the black regiments. He attended the dedication ceremony of the Buffalo Soldier statue at Fort Huachuca's Main Gate in 1977. Campbell was buried in the post cemetery after his death in September 1984. Col. Louis A. Carter, who died in June 1941, is also buried in the cemetery. Carter was the only black chaplain who served with all four black regiments of the

Regular Army. He was stationed at Fort Huachuca from 1913-1915 and 1935-1940.

Fort Huachuca buried many of its post commanders at the cemetery, including Maj. Julius W. Mason who died during his command in 1882, Col. Clarence A. Mette who commanded in 1967 and died in 1980, and Col. George E. Green who commanded in 1972 and died in 1982.

Many contributors to the Fort Huachuca Museum are honored at the cemetery.

The Fort Huachuca Museum was established in 1960 with the help of Col. Clarence O. Brunner. Brunner was Deputy Commander at Fort Huachuca in 1959 and an infantry instructor with the 158th Infantry Regimental Combat Team, Arizona National Guard. He was buried in the post cemetery after his death in September 1972.

Orville Cochran, who was museum director and post historian in 1960, was buried on post after his death in 1969.

Scandal surrounds many of the stones in the cemetery. In the early 1890s Postmistress Carrie A. Clark refused to give post office records to the post commander.

He ordered the office to be moved five miles from post, where it remained until she resigned in 1894. Some say she was ordered off post for selling illegal whisky to soldiers. She was buried on post after her death in August 1921.

The Fort Huachuca cemetery is also the final resting place of two soldiers hung for murder.

An argument in 1942 over cigarettes resulted in the bloody stabbing of Pvt. Joseph Shields. Pvt. James Rowe was executed for the crime.

After Staff Sgt. Jerry Sykes discovered his girlfriend Hazel Lee Craig married his first sergeant, he stabbed her in June of 1942. Both Sykes and Craig are buried on post.

(Editor's note: Information for this article was found on the Fort Huachuca Museum web page and the historical text Fort Huachuca: The Story of a Frontier Post by Cornelius C. Smith, Jr.)

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Army recruiting efforts reflect 25 years of 'ups and downs'

By Gerry J. Gilmore
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Since the end of the draft more than 25 years ago, prevailing economic conditions and other factors have produced pendulum-like swings in Army recruiting efforts.

With the emergence of the All-Volunteer Army in 1973, and the "Be All You Can Be" recruiting campaign of the 1980s, the possession of a high school diploma and above-average Armed Forces Qualification Test scores have been used as yardsticks of quality for initial enlistees said Lt. Col. Stephen Walker, an enlisted accessions officer who works in the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel.

Studies show that enlistees who possess a high school diploma are more likely to complete their initial term of military service than are non-high school graduates, said Walker. Other indicators of recruit quality include above-average scores on the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery tests that determine enlistment eligibility and aptitude for specific military jobs. The Armed Forces Qualification Test is a compilation of scores from the math and verbal portions of the ASVAB test, which is also used to determine enlistment eligibility and placement in jobs.

Additionally, a separate Assessment of Individual Motivation test designed by the Army Research Institute is used to measure an applicant's motivation to serve in the armed forces. Early trials of AIM test results show a high correlation between AIM test scores and attrition, officials said.

The early Volunteer Army of 25 years ago was able to fill its ranks, said Walker, partly because of a large "Baby Boomer" enlistment-aged population. However, Volunteer Army enlistment began to falter in the late 70s, and the Army adjusted its enlistment standards downward to gain recruits. At the same time, Army pay was being outpaced by inflation in the booming civilian economy at the time,

and defense budget cuts in the post-Vietnam War force caused supply and parts shortages, lowered morale and brought an exodus of soldiers.

The 1982 recession, "catch-up" military pay raises in the early 80s, and increased emphasis on recruiting — personified by the "Be All You Can Be" campaign — combined to boost recruiting numbers throughout the remainder of the decade. The Army also increased its enlistment quality criteria.

During the 1989-1996 drawdown, the Army was able to insist on enlisting only the most-qualified applicants — meaning applicants who scored in the upper half of the AFQT and possessed at least a high school diploma, said Walker. The end of the Cold War required the Army to reduce its active force — including officers and enlisted soldiers — from 780,000 in 1987 to less than 500,000 in 1996. Army recruiters could afford to be selective, since most of the people leaving the Army at the time didn't need to be replaced on a "one-for-one" basis.

A review of DCSPER statistics shows that in 1979, during the so-called "Hollow Army," the Army enlisted 159,000 active-duty soldiers of which almost 40,000 didn't have high school diplomas, and 46 percent scored on the lowest scale (Category IV) of the AFQT.

During the zenith of "Be All You Can Be" in 1989, the Army enlisted 119,000 soldiers of whom only 4,200 didn't have high school diplomas, and 7 percent scored lowest on the AFQT scale.

In 1999, the Army has about 480,000 active-duty soldiers, of whom 400,000 are enlisted, said Walker. A year ago, the Army enlisted almost 72,000 active-duty soldiers. Of these, only one soldier didn't have a high school degree, and just 2 percent scored lowest on the AFQT scale.

The statute that requires the armed forces to contain at least 90 percent high school diploma graduates was actually surpassed by the Army through 1996, he said, when

the Army required 95 percent of its enlisted to have a high school diploma. Statistically, the Army's enlisted force contained 75 percent high school diploma graduates in 1979; 90 percent in 1989; and 93 percent in 1998.

However, the drawdown has been over for three years, and all of the service branches — except the Marine Corps — are now having difficulty meeting their enlisted recruiting quotas. The Army and the other armed services are now required to replace departing soldiers one-for-one to maintain a "steady-state" force.

In fiscal year 1998, the Army had a recruiting shortfall of almost 800 soldiers. For fiscal year 1999, that number had grown to over 6,200. "The Army will be challenged to meet its FY00 accession mission of 80,000," said Walker.

In recent years, the Army and the other armed services have fished a shrinking demographic pool of prime-age 18-to-24-year-old youth to fill their junior enlisted ranks, said Walker. Today's young people of recruiting age have several options other than military service. The current booming economy is providing abundant entry-level jobs that don't require more than a high school education.

State, federal and institutional college grants and scholarship monies are readily available today, said Walker, and young high school graduates with limited resources have multiple options to go to college or technical school.

It may not be a surprise, then, to discover that recent national surveys show that young people are less inclined to join the military than in years past, said Walker.

The Army has recently put more money into its recruiting mission, and has added more recruiters to meet the challenge, said Walker, but that pool of young people of prime age for military service that do not go directly to college from high school is projected to remain shallow.

Therefore, recruiting markets must be expanded in a careful manner while jealously guarding the quality of the force, said Walker.

Doghouse can become hothouse during heat wave

PETA release

NORFOLK, Va. — When a heat wave hits like the one currently baking its way across much of the country, dogs who live outside can get awfully hot under the collar — and wish they had it made in the shade.

Beating the heat is extra tough for dogs because they can only cool themselves by panting and sweating through their paw pads. Heat stroke can come on quickly and result in brain damage or death.

Doghouses — while essential for keeping Fido dry during summer thunderstorms — don't give much relief from the heat. In fact, a doghouse can actually act like an oven, trapping hot air inside. Last summer, People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals conducted an informal test of temperatures inside doghouses on hot days.

On a day when the temperature in the sun reached 89 degrees, the temperature inside a doghouse placed in a sunny location was 88 degrees — just one degree cooler. Meanwhile, the temperature in the shade was 80 degrees — a difference of nearly 10 degrees. On a 98-degree day, the temperature inside the doghouse was actually higher — 100 degrees — while the temperature in the shade was 90 degrees.

Much better sources of shade are shadows cast by large buildings or, even better, trees which provide additional cooling by releasing moisture from their leaves. Studies have shown that neighborhoods with lots of trees can have temperatures as much as 12 degrees lower than treeless areas.

Dogs who spend the day outside should always have

access to shade and water. It's important to allow freedom of movement, since the shade moves throughout the day; a dog chained in a shady spot in the morning might be trapped in the sun by the afternoon.

"Every summer we hear about tragedies that could have been prevented," said PETA Cruelty Caseworker Amy Rhodes. "Many people don't realize how quickly animals left in a hot car or outside without shade or water can succumb to the heat."

Watch for symptoms, such as restlessness, excessive thirst, heavy panting, lethargy, lack of appetite, dark tongue, rapid heartbeat, fever, vomiting, or lack of coordination. If your dog shows any of these symptoms, get it to shade immediately and call your veterinarian. Lower body temperature gradually by providing water to drink, applying a cold towel or ice pack to the head, neck and chest, or immersing the dog in tepid (not cold) water.

Prevent heat stroke by taking these precautions:

— Keep your dog indoors. If it must stay outside, avoid the hottest part of the day. Provide shade, water and a kiddie pool. Keep drinking water in an anchored bucket or heavy bowl.

— Never leave a dog in a parked car. On a 78-degree day, the temperature inside a shaded car is 90 degrees, while a car parked in the sun can reach 160 degrees in minutes. Animals can succumb to heat stroke in just 15 minutes.

— If you see a dog in a car, take down the car's color, model, make and license plate number and have the owner paged inside the store, or call local humane authorities or police. Contact PETA for a supply of

fliers on the dangers of heat stroke to leave on windshields.

— Don't carry your dog in the bed of a pickup truck. This is always dangerous, but the heat brings the added danger of burning the dog's feet on the hot metal.

— Don't take your dog jogging — except on cool mornings or evenings — and don't force exercise. On long walks, rest often and bring plenty of water. Hot pavement can burn dogs' paws; choose shady, grassy routes.

— Trim heavy-coated dogs' fur, but leave an inch for protection against insects and sunburn. Keep an eye on areas where hair is thin, like eyelids, ears and nose.

— Be a watchdog for chained dogs. Make sure they have food, water and shelter. If

you see a dog in distress,

contact humane au-

thorities. Give the

dog immediate

relief by pro-

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